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1. Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated April 30, 2004 (2 pages);
2. Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$144.00 (1 page); and
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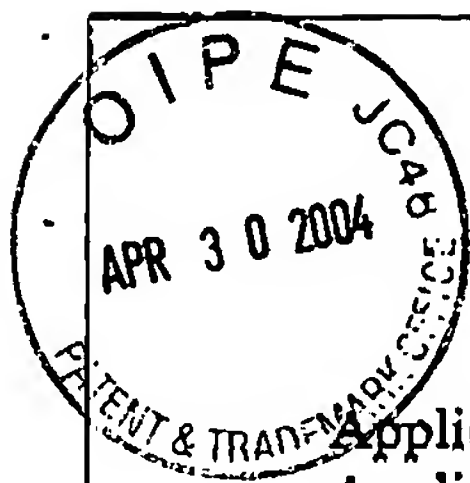
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Application No. : 10/604,810
Applicant: : Lawrence Martin
Filed: : 08/19/2003
TC/A.U. : 1743
Examiner : Brian J. Sines

Docket No. : 1132.08
Customer No. : 21901
For : Hand-Held Fluid Analyzer

Confirmation No. 1809

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION
(37 C.F.R. 1.8(a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Preliminary Amendment, including Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Specification, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 1743, Attn: Brian J. Sines, (703) 872-9310 on April 30, 2004.

Dated: April 30, 2004

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Introductory Comments

Sir:

The above-identified patent application is amended a first time prior to examination as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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